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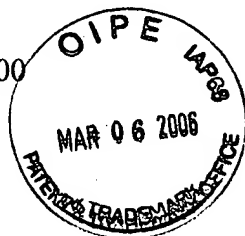
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**VIA COURIER**



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Dear Sir:

**Re: United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/990,326  
of Anthony Derosé  
for IMPROVEMENTS IN DISPLAY SIGNS, DECORATIVE LIGHTING, AND  
ORNAMENTS FOR HOLIDAY SEASONS  
Extended Due Date: March 8, 2006**

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Please find enclosed herewith the following:

1. Preliminary Amendment With RCE Application In Response to Official Final Action dated September 8, 2005;
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal of United States Application Serial No. 09/990,326 under 37 C.F.R. §1.114;
3. Request for a three month extension of time making this response due **March 8, 2006**;
4. Check in the sum of **\$1385.00 U.S. funds**.

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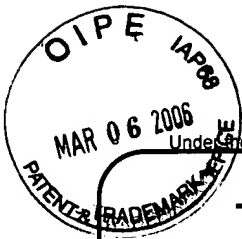
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We thank the Patent Office for its cooperation in this regard and look forward to receiving further correspondence in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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3611

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**ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**

Fee Transmittal Form



Fee Attached



Amendment/Reply



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Extension of Time Request



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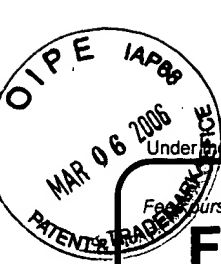
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For FY 2006**☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)

Small Entity Fee (\$)

50

25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200

100

Multiple dependent claims

360

180

**Total Claims****Extra Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**28 - 20 or HP = 8 x 25 = 200

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

**Indep. Claims****Extra Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**4 - 3 or HP = 1 x 100 = 100

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

**Multiple Dependent Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**180180**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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